

Welcome to Rapids Review!

We have decided to refurbish the look of the Community Newsletter which will now be called "The Rapids Review"! We know that Members, Children, Elders, Students & Professionals are out and about achieving incredible things. We would like to highlight it right here! So send your stories and pictures to lauren.hyatt@manitourapids.ca so we can give you your much deserved moment to shine!



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Community Wellness, Recreation & Events!









Nestor Falls

PONTOON FISHING FUN DAYS!

July 8th : Ages 7-12 July 8th : Ages 0-6 July 31st : Ages 12-17

For all age groups above: Meet at the gym @ 9AM on the date you are signed up for.

SIGN UP FOR A SPOT!

Ages 7-12 & 0-6: Contact Katle or Rekha

katie.sadewasser@manitourapids.ca rekha.kasana@manitourapids.ca 807-482-2479 ext. 254 or226

Ages 12-17: Contact Tammy or Rekha

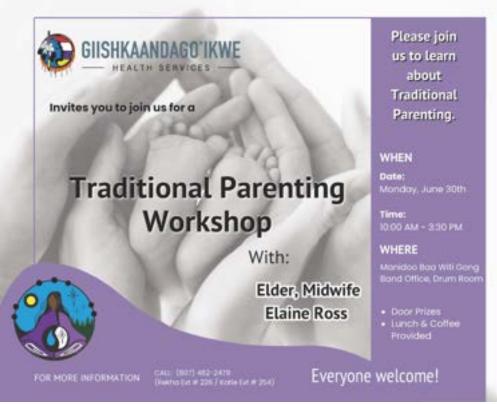
tammy.horton@manitourapids.ca 807-482-2479 ext. 295





Community Wellness, Recreation & Events!











Addictions Department

OUTREACH SERVICES!

RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS OUTREACH DID YOU KNOW THAT RRFN NOW HAS AN OUTREACH PROGRAM? LOCATED AT 516 PORTAGE AVE., FORT FRANCES SERVICES PROVIDED INCLUDE: Coffee, Snacks, Support Open & Confidential Discussions List of community services/Referrals Transportation for Appts/Medical/ Counselling/Groceries (within Fort Frances) Access to phone(local calls only) Treatment **Options/Group Outings Outreach Staff** Lois Bradley - 807-271-0065 Jim McMahon - 807-271-7300 Molly Smith

> SUMMER BBQ'S!

ADDICTIONS AWARENESS SUMMIT

10 am - 4pm
Ages 8 -17 (adults welcome)
Come out and hear from our local
members the truth about addictions and
the healing journey to recovery
There will be a BBQ
Dunk Tank / Games / Scavenger hunt and
prizes

July 15th,2025 10am-4pm RRFN Gym

We look forward to seeing you!!!

RSVP: lois bradleymanitou.ca



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



We are HIRING

- Executive Assistant to Chief and Council
- Director of Addiction, Treatment and Recovery
- Claims Implementation Coordinator
- Education Assistant
- Jordan's Principle Navigator
- Jordan's Principle Coordinator
- Proposal Writer

- · Family Services Worker
- CCP On-Call Worker
- Pre/Post Treatment Attendant
- Child in Care Worker
- Early Intervention and Aftercare Worker
- · Youth Coordinator

For detailed job descriptions visit www.raingriverfirstnations.com or scan the QR code.

To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter to: hr@manitourapids.ca



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Current Employment Opportunities

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

At New Gold you can be part of a team of professionals focused on responsible mining, workplace health and safety, and building sustainable communities.

Our Values drive every decision and action we take at New Gold:

Innovation: To make things better
Collaboration: As one company
Accountability: For our shared success
Respect: For all people

Respect: For all people Excellence: At every step

Current available positions at the Rainy River mine:

- Senior Surveyor U/G Mine
- Equipment Operator Construction 1
- Senior Underground Mine Engineer -Travel & Camp Provided
- Grade Control Geologist Flight & Camp provided
- Career Development Officer -Temporary 1 year
- Mobile Maintenance Preventive Maintenance Technician (PM) Technician

- Haulage Miner 6 Month temp ENTRY LEVEL
- Warehouse Technician ENTRY LEVEL
- Underground Mine Trainer
- · Senior Mine Technician Open Pit
- Buyer
- · Surface Labourer for UG Area
- · Underground Pneumatic Technician
- Utility Operator ENTRY LEVEL

For more information or to view the full job descriptions, visit our website:

https://newgold.com/careers



STAY POSITIVE.

WORK HARD.

MAKE IT HAPPEN.



Rainy River First Nations &



IMPACTS AND BENEFITS AGREEMENT 2024 ANNUAL JIC REPORT

JIC AND EMB UPDATE

The Joint Implementation Committee (JIC) meets monthly and provides a forum to discuss issues and work towards appropriate resolutions as required. The Environmental Monitoring Board (EMB) meets quarterly and provides a forum to discuss environmental matters, including permit updates. In 2024, all meetings were held via MS Teams on the following dates: February 27, June 11th, and December 19th.

In 2024, JIC meetings were held virtually as well as in person. As per the Agreement, the New Gold General Manager, Gord Simms, participated in alternate meetings.

JIC & EMB COMMITTEE MEMBERS

RRFN JIC & EMB Member:

Tracy Oshie-Horton

New Gold IIC Members:

Keith Mose and Jason Bell

New Gold EMB Members:

Garnet Cornell and Carolyn Winik

2024 CONTRACT SPEND

Sole Source Contract	Partnership	Spend
Supply of Fuel & Petroleum Products	Shell (Fuel)	\$44,473,109.76
Supply of Safety Equipment	Fastenal/JAW	\$ 2,401,419.11
Coffee Machines & Coffee Supplies	Twin City Restaurant Ltd.	\$ 210,315.04
TOTAL		\$47,084,843.91

ENVIRONMENTAL 2024 ACTIVITIES

DEER TISSUE MONITORING PROGRAM

FISH COMPENSATION HABITAT

The deer tissue monitoring program in 2024 saw a few samples collected, though not as many as in previous years. The analysis process is time-consuming, so it will be a while before a comprehensive report can be shared. New Gold hopes to see increased participation when the next program takes place in 2027.

New Gold broke ground in the fall of 2024 on the planned new fish habitat project. The project is expected to be completed in 2026, a positive advancement in ongoing conservation efforts.

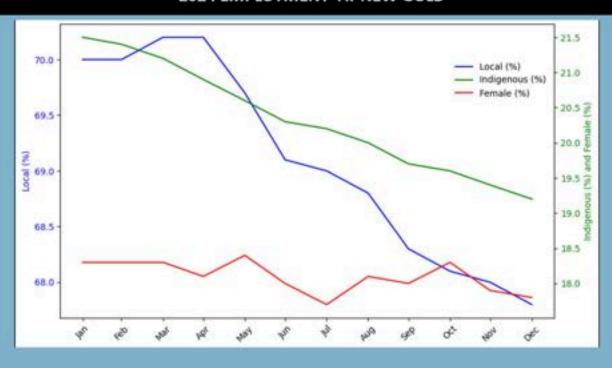
2024 SITE PHOTOS



2024 RRFN EMPLOYEE CAREER PROGRESSIONS

Starting Position (when hired)	Current Position (as of Dec 31, 2024)	Years
Senior Procurement Specialist	Procurement and Contracts Supervisor	10
Surface Miner	Haulage Miner	9
Surface Miner	Leadhand - Mine Drills	9
Surface Miner	Mine Trainer	9
Geological Labourer	Mill Operator	8
Surface Miner	Production Miner	8
Surface Miner	Support Miner	8
Surface Miner Utility	Driller	8
Electrician	Electrical Superintendent	8
Surface Miner	Support Miner	8
Reliability Supervisor	Fixed Maintenance Superintendent	6
Mine Labourer	Geological Technician	6
Temp Haulage Miner	Support Miner	3
Temp Mine Labourer	Haulage Miner	3
Temp Labourer	Maintenance Planner	2
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2024 EMPLOYMENT AT NEW GOLD



ENVIRONMENTAL 2024 ACTIVITIES (CONT'D)

PERMITTING ACTIVITY

TMA - Stage 6 Dam Raise - Application approved by regulators; construction completed and dam commissioned.

TMA - Stage 7 Dam Raise - Application submitted to regulators for approval. Construction and commissioning

planned for 2025. This has been added to the Closure Plan Amendment to align with Building More Mines Act.

Permit to Take Water - Open Pit Dewatering Wells

Additional information submitted to regulators; approval expected in 2025.

Closure Plan Amendment — Additional administrative items updated and submitted to regulators for approval to align with Building More Mines Act regulations.

Sewage Works ECA — Engineering drawings and reports for increasing water treatment and discharge submitted to Ministry of Environmental, Conserva-



Blue Heron at Sediment Pond

tion and Parks (MECP) Technical Services Division for review. Application submission planned for Q1 2025.

Endangered Species Act (ESA) – New Gold is awaiting review and response from MECP on Whip-Poor-Will Habitat Management Plan but continues to follow permit schedule for monitoring activities.

AIR QUALITY

Throughout 2024, New Gold Environment staff continued to monitor air quality. The air quality stations are strategically located to the north (Gallinger Road), south (McMillan Road), and northwest (Hwy 600) of the

mine, and track various air contaminants, including dust particulates, metals, nitrogen dioxide, and sulfur dioxide. On seven occasions, instruments at these stations detected dust levels exceeding ministry limits, attributed to mine activities. The primary dust control measures implemented on-site included the application of water and chemical dust suppressants on roads and stockpiles.

In 2024, a Fugitive Dust Committee was formed with representatives from different departments to mitigate dust sources across the mine site.



Air Quality Station (North)



RRFN Senior +55 July 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5 Onigaming Powwow Day trip 10AM departure
6	7	8 Cloverleaf Gift Card pick up	9	10 Sewing 9-Noon	11	12
13	14	15 MOVIE NIGHT	16 MEN LAKE LIFE FISHING DAY	17	18	19
20	21	22 POTLUCK + DROP IT	23 Poker walk 5-7pm	24 Sewing 9-Noon	25	26
27	28	29 Senior Meeting 10-Noon	30 Golf Day	31		

Please call to sign up for the following: (9)

ONGAMING TRIP-by July 3rd,

MOVIE NIGHT-by July 11,

MENS LAKE LIFE-by July 11,

GOLF DAY-by July 24

Any questions? Please call Danica-Senior Coordinator. CALL THE OFFICE 482-2479 ext.269 CALL/TEXT CELL 271-1223.

KAY-NAH-CHI-WAH-NUNG HISTORICAL CENTRE









RRFN EDUCATION AWARDS

















COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM

It takes a big heart to shape little minds.



RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM

We are looking for FULL-TIME CAREGIVERS/FOSTER PARENTS and RESPITE HOMES that...



- Able and willing to provide a loving, stable home for Anishinaabe children and be open to learning the Culture and Traditions.
- Have good problem-solving skills, child management skills, patience, compassion, sensitivity towards cultural needs, and an ability to work well as part of a team.

If you would like more information on becoming a Caregiver/Foster Parent, please call the Alternative Care Coordinator, Michelle Loveday, at (807)271-5452 or (807)482-2479 ext. 278

Make a difference in a child's life, become an Alternative Caregiver

RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM

RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM IS LOOKING FOR CAREGIVERS TO PROVIDE PLACEMENTS FOR 5 CHILDREN IN CARE.

WE ARE DESPERATELY ASKING FOR YOUR HELP IN PROVIDING A SAFE AND LOVING HOME FOR THE CHILDREN.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN CARING FOR 1 OR 2 CHILDREN OR HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT;

MICHELLE LOVEDAY, AT 807-482-2479 EXT. 278 OR 807-271-5452

OR

ANN HILLER, AT 807-482-2479 EXT. 258 OR 807-271-0481.

MIIGWETCH!



YOUR HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!



HEALTH & WELLNESS



TREATMENT FOR PEOPLE WITH DEPRESSION, ANXIETY AND TRAUMA

OSP offers free, short-term cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) and related services.

WHAT IS COGNITIVE-BEHAVIOURAL THERAPY (CBT)?

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- Rephatherapy in-person, phone or winted CET with a neglatered therapian. Services are delinered in perhasently with community experiments almost access fluoritheauthor Common to person services are available in factors. For Transac, and Transac with many locations to be added a ser from

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM PARTICIPATING IN OSP!













DDF is not a chia ar emergency service. If immediate help is required, otheral the necreal emergency deportment or call \$11. No 54 hour origin appoint in the Northwestern Ontonio region contact Chia Response Services or 1-**048-058 888**

For more information, please visit: esp.ajag.net

HOW DO I ACCESS THE









DROP-IN COUNSELLING

RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS

Addiction Services

Depression, Anxiety, and Mental Health Support

FRIDAY'S @ 11-3PM BAND OFFICE

Grief Support

Brief Case Management

For more information:

Contact Alyssa: (807) 274-2042 ext. 4228 astrachan@fftahs.com









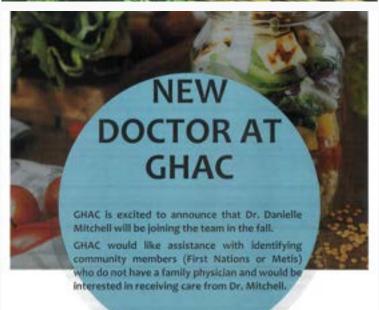
Most women, as well as Two-Spirit, trans and nonbinary people ages 40 to 74, should have a breast screening mammogram every two years.

Book Your Mammogram Today

To learn more, visit tbrhsc.net/cancerscreening







If you do not have a family physician, interested members can contact Juanita Hunter-Connon to register @ (807) 482-2479 ext. 232 by June 30th. Please have your health card available when you call.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

* FRIENDLY REMINDER FOR MEDICAL VAN USE *

Please provide <u>24 hours notice</u> of appointments, if possible. Seats are booked on a FIRST COME – FIRST SERVE BASIS!! If you require someone to travel with you for medical reasons (mobility impairment, translation, child 16 years and under), please inform Laura or Juanita. Please <u>DO NOT</u> call the medical van driver directly – you must book with Laura or myself.

If you no longer require a ride on the van, please be courteous and cancel your booking. This will assist other community members who may require transportation during that time slot. We make every effort to accommodate all appointments but, do experience scheduling difficulties with times and location from time to time.

Clients will be brought to their appointment and picked up at the same location. We will **NOT** pick you up at a friend's house, downtown or at a restaurant. Please do not ask our driver to bring you to different stops – he is not a taxi.



Any individuals who are under the influence of alcohol <u>WILL NOT</u> be transported to or from their appointment. <u>NO EXCEPTIONS!!</u>

Also, the medical van driver <u>WILL NOT</u> pick up any prescriptions. We will be happy to provide a ride for you, or a designate, to pick up your medication. Exceptions are made on a case-by-case basis.

Lastly, please call 9-1-1 and request an ambulance in the event of an emergency. For non-life threatening emergencies, the medical van will transport if there are no scheduled appointments OR the van is scheduled to be in Fort for an appointment.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!!

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Long Distance Medical Travel Assistance through Non-Insured Health Benefits

A friendly reminder for Community members with out-of-town medical appointments.

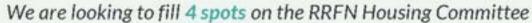
- 1.) Please bring your appointment sheet to either Juanita or Laura. Or, have your doctor/specialist fax or email us your notice of appointment. Our fax number is (807) 482-1502. Juanita's email address is juanita.connon@manitourapids.ca and Laura's email address is health.reception@manitourapids.ca. Please DO NOT send appointment information via social media platforms such as FB Messenger or Instagram.
- NIHB has made it <u>MANDATORY</u> that all applications are submitted <u>2 WEEKS</u>
 BEFORE the scheduled appointment date to process the application. Emergency appointments are the only exception ie.) air lifted or urgent referrals.
- 3.) If the appointment sheet is handed in less than 2 weeks prior to the appointment date, we cannot guarantee a room will be approved in time by NIHB <u>OR</u> a travel cheque to assist with costs will be issued.
- 4.) The referring physician, an NP or nurse must deem it necessary for an escort and must be stated on your appointment sheet or an escort letter provided indicating you require an escort for all out of town appointments.
- Please indicate if you will be making a day trip or an overnight trip. Also, what night you will require accommodation.
- 6.) NIHB has hotels where the cost of the room is direct billed to them for payment. If you choose to make your own arrangements, we are only able to reimburse \$200/night for Manitoba and \$220/night for Ontario. You must submit the receipt to be reimbursed.
- 7.) With your cheque, you will have a "confirmation of attendance" form to be signed by your specialist. We also include a copy of your hotel accommodation which has the confirmation number of your reservation, the hotel's name and dates of check in/out. Please take a moment to review your travel package.
- 8.) Finally, upon your return, you must hand in your signed "confirmation of attendance" form to Juanita or Laura. We are required to submit these so that RRFN's can be reimbursed for the cash advances that we provide to our clients.

Be advised that NIHB office that over looks the Prior Approvals is short staffed. Therefore, most times we don't receive the approval until the day of appointment. Please understand that it is beyond our control.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Juanita or Laura at 807-482-2479, Juanita ext. #232, Laura ext. #249.

WE NEED MEMBERS FOR THE

HOUSING COMMITTEE





Duties:

- Review & Recommend Housing Policies & Procedures
- Housing Allocation Recommendations
- Receive Update on Major Projects
- Provide Insights & Reports to C&C
- Meet Once Per Month

Who are looking for:

- Someone with an interest in On Community Housing
- A Registered over 18 Full Member of RRFN
- A Member with No outstanding Arrears to the Nation.

Housing Committee Makeup

- 1 Youth 18-29 years
- 1 Member 55+
- 2 Members @ large preference for 1 to be off reserve

Please hand in your letter of interest to Kyle Kellar Public Works Manager or via email: kyle.kellar@manitourapids.ca



THE RAPIDS REVIEW

SOLAR PAYMENT INFO

To: Rainy River First Nations Members

The next Solar Payments date has been set for July 10th, 2025. For a smooth payments process and to make sure your Solar Payments are processed without any issues, please note the following important information.

Preparation for July 10th, 2025, Solar Payments:

- If there has been a change in address from December 1, 2024, please confirm the new address by June 20th, 2025. A copy of the Membership Contact Form is attached and can also be accessed on the RRFNs Website https://rainyriverfirstnations.com
- If there is an address change and have not submitted an updated Membership Contact
 Form the cheques will be mailed to the address on file. Please email the Membership
 Contact form to: membership@manitourapids.ca

Includes everyone living in Canada or the United States.

For Members who prefer to have their payments by EFT, please forward a copy of Direct
Deposit Form or Void Cheque to: membership@manitourapids.ca The Forms can be
accessed through online banking.

The cheques will be mailed July 11th, 2025, to both Canada and US residents.

EFT will be deposited for Canadian residents July 11th, 2025.

Please note: EFT (Direct Deposit) not available for US banks

Address changes cannot be accepted over the phone, the Membership Contact Form is required to be filled in completely and accurately and email to:

membership@manitourapids.ca

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact: the Membership Registrar at 807-482-2479 ex 268.

Or by email: membership@manitourapids.ca

Thank you and your cooperation is appreciated.

MEMBERSHIP CONTACT FORM



Rainy River First Nations Membership Contact Form

*Please ensure that form is filled out completely and accurately

Full Name:	First	Middle	Last	Last		
Mailing Address:	Street		Apt #	P.O. Box		
	City/Town		Province/State	Postal Code/Zip Code		
Phone:			N .	1		
Email:						
Membership Number:	10		Date of Birth:	Day Year		
Dependents: -Full legal names -Date of Birth -17 & under registered with RRFNs						
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